

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) An image forming system comprising:
 - an image display medium, that is a sheet of paper, on which ~~a~~ an unencrypted first image is visibly displayed without authentication; and
 - an image forming apparatus, wherein:
 - the image display medium includes a data supply apparatus, which stores therein encrypted data of a second image which is not visible and authentication data used for an access authentication to the data of the second image and supplies the stored data of the second image and the stored authentication data to an external; and
 - the image forming apparatus includes:
 - an image reading section for reading the displayed first image;
 - a data reading section for reading the supplied data of the second image and the supplied authentication data;
 - an authentication section for receiving access to the data of the second image and determining whether or not to allow the access to the data of the second image, on the basis of the read authentication data; and
 - an image forming section for forming the first image and the second image when the access to the data of the second image is authenticated, and for forming the first image when authentication fails.
2. (Original) The image forming system according to claim 1, wherein:
 - the data supply apparatus has an encrypting section for encrypting the data of the second image and the authentication data, which are supplied to the external; and
 - the image forming apparatus further includes:

a decrypting section for decrypting the read authentication data.

3. (Original) The image forming system according to claim 1, wherein:

the data of the second image and the authentication data, which are supplied to the external, have been encrypted; and

the image forming apparatus further includes:

a decrypting section for decrypting the read authentication data.

4. (Original) The image forming system according to claim 1, wherein the data reading section reads the data of the second image when the access to the data of the second image is authenticated.

5. (Original) The image forming system according to claim 1, wherein:

when the access to the data of the second image is not authenticated, the image forming section forms the first image, second image, and an image indicating that the access to the data of the second image is not authenticated.

6. (Previously Presented) The image forming system according to claim 1, wherein:

the image display medium is an original on which the first image is formed;

the data supply apparatus is attached to the original;

the data supply apparatus is a non-contact memory, wherein the data of the second image and the authentication data, which are stored in the non-contact memory, are readable from the external in a non-contact manner; and

the data reading section of the image forming apparatus reads the supplied data of the second image and the supplied authentication data from the non-contact memory in the non-contact manner.

7. (Original) The image forming system according to claim 1, wherein:

the authentication data is a password;

the data reading section reads the supplied data of the second image and the supplied password; and

when an input password for the access to the data of the second image is coincident with the read password, the authentication section allows to access the data of the second image.

8. (Original) The image forming system according to claim 1, wherein:

the data of the second image indicates an image, which should be formed in combination with the data of the first image; and

when the image forming section forms the second image, the image forming section forms the second image in combination with the first image.

9. (Currently Amended) An image display medium to display images comprising:

~~a~~ an unencrypted first image visibly displayed without authentication on a surface of the image display medium, wherein the image display medium is a sheet of paper; and

a data supply apparatus for storing encrypted data of a second image which is not visible and authentication data used for access authentication to the data of the second image and supplying the stored data of the second image and the stored authentication data to an external, wherein the data supply apparatus is a non-contact memory attached to the image display medium.

10. (Currently Amended) The image display ~~member~~ medium according to claim 9, wherein:

the data supply apparatus includes an encrypting section for encrypting the data of the second image and the authentication data before supplying the data of the second image and the authentication data to the external.

11. (Currently Amended) An image forming apparatus comprising:

- an image reading section for reading ~~a~~ an unencrypted visible first image of a an image display medium, wherein the image display medium is a sheet of paper;
- a data reading section for reading encrypted data of a second image which is not visible and authentication data from the image display ~~member~~ medium;
- an authentication section for receiving access to the data of the second image and determining whether or not to allow the access to the data of the second image on the basis of the read authentication data; and
- an image forming section for forming the first image and the second image when the access to the data of the second image is authenticated, and for forming the first image in other cases.

12. (Original) The image forming apparatus according to claim 11, further comprising:

- a decrypting section for decrypting the read authentication data.

13. (Currently Amended) An image forming method comprising:

- supplying encrypted data of a second image which is not visible and authentication data from an image display medium;

- reading ~~a~~ an unencrypted visible first image from the image display medium;

- reading the encrypted data of the second image which is not visible and the supplied authentication data from the image display medium;

- receiving access data of the second image which is not visible;

- determining whether or not the second image which is not visible is authenticated based on the read authentication data and the received access data; and
- forming the first image and the second image when the access to the data of the second image is authenticated, and forming only the first image in all other cases.

14. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable medium containing a program that causes a computer to perform a process comprising:

reading ~~a~~ an unencrypted visible first image from an image display medium;

reading encrypted data of a second image which is not visible and authentication data from an image display medium;

receiving access data of the second image which is not visible;

determining whether or not the second image which is not visible is authenticated based on the read authentication data and the received access data; and

forming the first image and the second image when the access to the data of the second image is authenticated, and forming only the first image in all other cases.